Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 13 May 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 14 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 12 May 2023 at 17:05

Confidence: High for fine and settled conditions for much of the weekend. Lower for detail and extent of low cloud Saturday morning, for timings of front Sunday evening and for intensity of any showers next week.

Headline for Saturday 13 May 2023: A generally cloudy start, soon brightening from the west to give a day of prolonged spells of strong sunshine.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 13 May 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Fog	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	20%	10%	<05%	10%	10%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Saturday 13 May 2023

Weather: A dull and misty start, with extensive low cloud, mist and hill fog, particularly towards the east of the Park. Chance of some patchy drizzle under thicker cloud. Cloud will lift and clear by mid-morning to leave a dry day with lengthy spells of strong sunshine. There is an outside chance of the odd shower in the early afternoon, remaining dry otherwise. Staying clear during the evening, before cloud returns to some eastern slopes.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in the east, 60% in the west. Soon increasing to above 80%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud and hill fog to start, with bases 200-400m and perhaps to lower slopes in the east. Cloud will lift and rise to be above summits by mid-morning to leave largely clear skies. Chance of transient cloud cover across highest peaks. Visibilities will be poor or very poor under cloud in early mist and drizzle, improving to very good. Sharp but brief deteriorations to moderate or poor in any isolated showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	21/25 E	14/17 NE	11/15 E	6/9 E	4/7 E	6/10 NW	5/7 NW	5/6 SE	8/10 S
600	11/15 E	7/10 E	7/10 E	5/7 N	7/10 N	8/12 NW	5/7 NW	5/6 SE	8/11 S
300	5/11 E	3/5 SE	3/5 NE	5/7 N	6/9 N	7/10 NW	4/6 NW	4/5 SE	5/9 S
Valley	5/11 E	3/5 SE	3/5 NE	5/7 N	7/10 N	7/11 N	4/6 NW	4/5 S	6/9 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	7/3	7/4	8/5	9/7	11/10	12/10	11/11	10/9	9/7
600	9/7	8/7	9/7	10/10	13/11	13/12	13/12	12/11	10/8
300	11/10	9/8	9/9	12/11	15/14	16/14	15/14	13/12	11/10
Valley	12/11	9/9	10/9	13/12	15/14	16/15	14/14	13/12	12/11
Freezing Level*	1900m	1900m	1900m	1800m	1700m	1800m	1900m	1900m	1900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Widespread poor visibility in the early hours, especially on eastern and higher routes. Improving from mid-morning, but high UV levels are expected in the strong afternoon sunshine. The risk of showers is low but where they occur, they could bring poor visibilities and gusty winds.

Forecast for Sunday 14 May 2023

Weather: Patchy low cloud, mist and fog will soon clear to give a mostly dry and sunny day. Sunshine will turn increasing hazy through the afternoon as cloud thickens from the northwest. A few showers from mid-afternoon, with more widespread and persistent rain arriving by the evening and continuing overnight, turning heavy at times in the west.

Maximum wind: Southwest 12-20mph, becoming in the evening northwest 15-20mph gusting 25-30mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in the east, 60% in the west. Soon improving to above 90%. Dropping to 20% through the evening from the west.

Low Cloud and visibility: Banks of low cloud and fog patches, mainly in the east, with bases around 300m. Bases soon lifting clear of summits. Deteriorating through the evening to around 400m in the west. Visibility will be poor or very poor under low cloud or in any early mist and fog. Quickly improving to very good. Poor in any showers and in rain later.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 10 Celsius rising to plus 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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